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SUBJECT: FIRST CALL ON NEW MFA PRESS SECTION CHIEF

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1. NEW MFA PRESS CHIEF VSEVOLOD NIKOLAYEVICH SOFINSKIY RECEIVED P& C COUNSELOR AND PRESS ATTACHE MAY 4 IN FRIENDLY FASHION DURING SECOND DAY ON JOB. AGREEING THAT RELATIONS IN PRESS AREA HAVE IMPROVED NOTABLY IN LAST YEAR, HE EXPRESSED HOPE PROGRESS WOULD CONTINUE. SPECIFICALLY HE ACKNOWLEDGED RECEIPT OF EMBASSY NOTE SEEKING MULTIPLE ENTRY- EXIT VISAS FOR RESIDENT U. S. CORRESPONDENTS ( REFTEL) AND SAID THEY WILL BE CONSIDERING MATTER IN NEAR FUTURE.

2. SOFINSKIY ALSO INSTRUCTED AIDE TO SEE ABOUT ARRANGEMENTS FOR PHOTOGRAPHY ACCESS AT EVENING AIRPORT ARRIVAL OF DR. KISSINGER. THIS ACCESS WAS CONFIRMED SHORTLY AFTERWARDS TO PRESS ATTACHE.

3. SOFINSKIY EXPRESSED NO BURNING ENTHUSIASM FOR NEW  
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POST, LOOKING BACK WITH PLEASURE ON PREVIOUS MFA CULTURAL SECTION STEWARDSHIP. HE NOTED THERE WAS SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CULTURAL AND PRESS MATTERS, AND TONE HIS REMARKS SEEMED TO FAVOR FIRST AREA. NEVERTHELESS HE WOULD PLUNGE AHEAD, STEP BY STEP, HE INDICATED.

4. SOFINSKIY SUCCESSOR AT MFA CULTURAL DIVISION IS YURIY IVANOVICH VOLSKIY, HIS FRIEND AND FORMER AMBASSADOR ARGENTINA.  
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